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RCE Request for Continued Examination

This is an RCE request to respond to your Office Action mailed 04/19/2006. I agree with all of your objections and following your phone help and written Office Action I have rewritten Claim 5-9 in a format which I believe removes the indefinite and functional or operational language and provides step-by-step explanations of how to generate the operative devices of this patent.

ENCLOSURES

- PTO/SB/21 Transmittal form
- PTO/SB/30 Request for Continued Examination
- PTO-2038 Credit Card Payment Form
- A copy of the Office Action mailed to me on 01/11/2006
- Currently amended claims 5-9
- Clean version of how the claims will read

REMARKS

1. DETAILED ACTION

In this RCE I have rewritten Claims 5-9 to address the issues in your latest Office Action mailed 04/19/2006.

2. Response to Arguments

I agree with the examiner's remarks and I have rewritten Claims 5-9 accordingly.

3. Claim Objections

The steps defining the methods in claims **5,6** are given in sufficient detail for one versed in the communications arts to be able to implement these steps to generate the CDMA codes being claimed. It is obvious that these codes are intended to be implemented for CDMA applications by replacing current real codes with these complex codes and implementing the corresponding complex encoding and decoding in the transmitters and receivers as explained in the specification.

Regarding claim **7** the references to claims **1,2** have been replaced by references to claims **5,6**. The method in Claim **7** is supported by the steps to enable one versed in the communications arts to generate the mapping of the multiple data rate symbols onto the code vectors.

Claims **8,9** are rewritten to claim fast encoding and decoding algorithms for hybrid Walsh codes with representative algorithms given for the hybrid Walsh codes. The steps for implementing these algorithms are defined in their order of execution and in sufficient detail to enable one versed in fast discrete Fourier transform algorithms to implement these algorithms. These steps summarize the detailed implementations of these fast algorithms in the specification.

4. Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 112

I believe that the rewritten claims **5-9** point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which is regarded as the invention.

5. Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 112

I believe that the rewritten Claims **5-9** have removed the narrative structure along with the previous indefinite and and

functional or operative language. Claims **5,6** clearly define the steps required to generate the hybrid Walsh and generalized hybrid Walsh CDMA codes in sufficient detail that enables one versed in CDMA communications to implement these codes in CDMA transmitters and receivers.

I believe that the rewritten Claim **7** clearly defines the method for supporting multiple-rate user CDMA communications using hybrid Walsh and generalized hybrid Walsh fixed block length codes.

I believe the rewritten Claims **8,9** clearly define the steps demonstrated in the specification for implementing fast versions of the hybrid Walsh encoding for transmitters and fast hybrid Walsh decoding for receivers. Although not claimed it seems obvious that these fast techniques are directly applicable to the generalized hybrid Walsh codes.

6. Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 112

I believe that the rewritten claims **5-9** now include the essential structural cooperative relationships of elements and meet the 35 USC 112 standards

Thanks ever for your help.

Sincerely,



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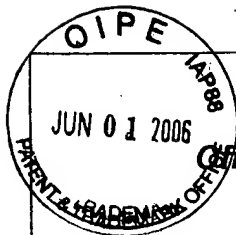
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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 03 February 2006.
- 2a) ☒ This action is FINAL. 2b) ☐ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 5-9 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 5-9 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☒ The drawing(s) filed on 13 February 2001 is/are: a) ☒ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
- ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 - ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 - ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).
- * See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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DETAILED ACTION

1. Claims 5-9 are pending in the instant application.

Response to Arguments

2. Applicant should submit an argument under the heading "Remarks" pointing out disagreements with the examiner's contentions. Applicant must also discuss the references applied against the claims, explaining how the claims avoid the references or distinguish from them.

Claim Objections

3. Claims 5-9 are objected to because of the following informalities:

Regarding claim 5, the claim is objected to because a method is claimed, however, no steps for the method are provided. Rather, the method comprises means.

Regarding claim 6, the claims are objected to for the same reasons as applied to claim 5 above.

Regarding claim 7, the claim is objected to because it depends upon claims "1, 2", however, neither claim 1 or 2 is present in the application. Furthermore, dependency of a claim may only be made in the alternative. In this case, one is unable to determine if the dependency is upon claim 1 or 2, or upon claims 1 and 2. Additionally, the claim is rejected for the same reasons as applied to claim 5 above.

Regarding claim 8, the claim is objected to because one is unable to determine if the claim depends upon claims 5, 6, and 7 in the alternative or collectively. Further, the claim is objected to for the same reasons as applied to claim 5 above.

Regarding claim 9, the claim is objected to for the same reasons as applied to claim 8 above.

Appropriate correction is required.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 112

4. The following is a quotation of the second paragraph of 35 U.S.C. 112:

The specification shall conclude with one or more claims particularly pointing out and distinctly claiming the subject matter which the applicant regards as his invention.

5. Claims 5-9 are rejected as failing to define the invention in the manner required by 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph.

The claim(s) are narrative in form and replete with indefinite and functional or operational language. The ***structure*** which goes to make up the device must be clearly and positively specified. The structure must be organized and correlated in such a manner as *to present a complete operative device*. The claim(s) must be in one sentence form only. Note the format of the claims in the patent(s) cited.

6. Claims 5-9 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as being incomplete for omitting essential structural cooperative relationships of elements, such omission amounting to a gap between the necessary structural connections. See MPEP § 2172.01. The omitted structural cooperative relationships are: the structural interconnections between the various claimed means.

Conclusion

7. Applicant's amendment necessitated the new ground(s) of rejection presented in this Office action. Accordingly, **THIS ACTION IS MADE FINAL**. See MPEP

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§ 706.07(a). Applicant is reminded of the extension of time policy as set forth in 37 CFR 1.136(a).


A shortened statutory period for reply to this final action is set to expire THREE MONTHS from the mailing date of this action. In the event a first reply is filed within TWO MONTHS of the mailing date of this final action and the advisory action is not mailed until after the end of the THREE-MONTH shortened statutory period, then the shortened statutory period will expire on the date the advisory action is mailed, and any extension fee pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) will be calculated from the mailing date of the advisory action. In no event, however, will the statutory period for reply expire later than SIX MONTHS from the date of this final action.

8. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Jason M. Perilla whose telephone number is (571) 272-3055. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F 8-5 EST.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Chieh M. Fan can be reached on (571) 272-3042. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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